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Post Office

Malone N.Y.

June 17. 1879

Sir=

Parties in this place, have recently discovered a vein of Mineral of which the inclosed is a fair sample, taken from within 18 inches & 2 feet of the surface,- after a blast.

They desire authentic & accurate information as to what it is, & whether it is of any value or no.

For that purpose I send this Sample to you, desiring an assay or analysis of it- if its nature is not determinable at

RG104 E-1 Box 117

Sight. Before incurring any Expense of assay will you be kind enough to advise them through me.

1st Is it, from its appearance, a mineral of any value

2 - What is it

3 What will be the Expense of assaying this or a suitably large Specimen of the same substance.

On receipt of your answer I will advise you if further proceedings are desired.

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
J. J. Seaver
Pm
malone

To the Supt of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa

RG104 E-1 Box 117

325

Malone, N. Y.
June 17. 1879.

J. J. Seaver, P. M.

Forwards 2 mineral specimens for Examination, and requests cost of an assay.

[In pencil.]

Rec'd June 19th 1879.

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June 17, 1879

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They desire authentic & accurate information as to what it is, & whether it is of any value or no.

For that purpose I send this sample to you, desiring an assay or analysis of it – if its nature is not determinable at sight. Before incurring any expense of assay will you be kind enough to advise them through me.

1st Is it, from its appearance, a mineral of any value

2 – What is it

3 What will be the expense of assaying this or a suitable larger specimen of the same substance.

On receipt of your answer I will advise you if further proceedings are desired.

Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J.J. Seaver
P.M.
Malone

To the Supt. of the Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

[Noted on back:]

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